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State Health Department Wins Six Awards for Excellence in Public Health Communication

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health received six awards for excellence in public health communication from the National Public Health Information Coalition, America’s premier organization of public health communicators, during a recent awards ceremony.

The Department of Health received the following awards:

Silver Awards:

- Ready? Safe? Go! Print Materials – Outsourced Print/Graphic Specialty Projects
- Health Officials are Urging Homeowners and Volunteers To Take Precautions After Asbestos-Containing Insulation Has Been Found in Minot and Ward Counties – In-house General News Release
- NDQuits Brochure – Outsourced Brochures

Bronze Awards:

- Health-Care Provider Examiner – Outsourced Newsletters
- *Women’s Way* Program Card – In-House Brochures
- Proper Cleanup After a Flood Can Prevent Illnesses Caused by Mold – In-house General News Release

“An important part of what the state health department does is educating the public about health and safety issues,” said State Health Officer Terry Dwelle, M.D. “I’m very proud of the work our department does every day communicating with North Dakotans, and it’s great to see those efforts recognized at a national level.”

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The National Public Health Information Coalition was established in 1989 to promote an awareness of public health issues throughout the nation. NPHIC is the leading national organization for public health communication professionals. NPHIC's ranks include public information officers, risk communicators and health educators at state, tribal and local health departments across the nation. As the recognized voice of public health communication, NPHIC's award program offers gold, silver and bronze awards in 17 public health communication categories.

All winning entries can be viewed by visiting NPHIC's website at <http://awards.nphic.org>. For more information, contact Stacy Eberl, public information officer, at 701.328.4619.

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